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Teaching Sedition.

TO what extent are forces working in this country seeking to spread sedition and undermine the basic principles on which the government of this country is founded? A resident of Alliston has returned from Western Canada, and in the course of his remarks on conditions there declares he was surprised and shocked at what he heard. At one point where the Alliston resident, Mr. BAYCROFT, visited he noticed that the population favored the confiscation of the entire national wealth and making an equal division of it. This idea, he seems certain, is so prevalent in some districts that it passes the teachings of socialism and enters the realm of anarchy.

Proceeding with his narrative, Mr. BAYCROFT tells of one resident named SMOXHOUSE, who seemed to be the center and circumference of the agitation in the district. While Mr. BAYCROFT was in the place he got in touch with a sturdy Britisher, a Presbyterian minister, who openly attacked this sedition talk from his pulpit, with the result that SMOXHOUSE called a mass meeting to answer him. The Alliston visitor was one of the speakers at the gathering, and states that speakers openly advocated the upheaval of workers to overthrow our present social order, and such statements were received with much acclaim. It was only after the best efforts on the part of the Alliston man and the preacher that the meeting was dispersed, they having attended to combat the theories advanced by SMOXHOUSE and his associates. It is quite natural that in Ontario a man should ask, on his return, if the people of this province really know that this sort of thing is going on.

One can go to many places in Western Canada and find similar conditions. Especially in the mining and lumbering camps of the West is this idea of forcibly taking possession taught and accepted. And in these centers foreigners, new to this land, and unaware of our customs or ways of government, meet these men who are preaching common ownership and the duty of the workers to unite in preparation for the day when they will lose their chains and gain the world. The poor feature of the situation is the small effort that is made to put any opposing current of thought in movement. The agitators in many places have the field to themselves, and find the mind of the foreigner very good ground in which to sow the seed of positive sedition.

First Things First.

THE Methodist Conference at Toronto has passed a resolution calling upon representative Christian men and women to meet together to discuss economic conditions, and discover if there is anything that can be done to bring our methods and ideas more in line with the teachings of the Master, and also intimating the belief that the church in Canada today "contains the scientific and practical knowledge and the moral energy to effect great and beneficial reforms in our whole economic life."

It is well that such a representative body as the Methodist Church in Canada should bring such a matter as this to the front. It will not only provoke discussion in that particular denomination, but in others, and may help to bring out some fairly salient features in determining to what extent it is within the power of members of any church to improve the economic conditions under which the business of today is transacted.

In one way it gets back to the idea of whether we can have better methods before we have better men, or whether the better men will be a result of the better methods. In the final analysis, the whole thing rests with the individual, because our whole economic system is made up of individuals, whether we realize it or not. Our system of doing business is not apt to rise much higher than the conceptions of the men who are conducting these businesses. The way in which a man carries on his daily business speaks at times more eloquently of the state of his heart than the manner in which he conducts himself on the Sabbath day.

There can be no doubt that the world today is looking for something practical in the way of the application of religious professions to the conduct of everyday affairs. Were these principles put into effect it would be very hard indeed to justify some of the present competitive methods that are employed in this and other countries. They cannot be squared up with the teachings of the Master. They do not have in them the spirit of humility, nor justice, nor toleration, nor do they line up at all with the idea of "in honor preferring one another."

The critics of the church and all things connected with the church are quick and anxious to take up and use all the ammunition they can find in the way of the inconsistent lives of church members. They can see that they are not applying to their own lives the theories and principles they advocate as being good for others.

Whether there can be a movement forward in this by the coming to-



gether of people is a matter for surmise. The reformation must take place in the individual, and once it has taken place it will seek an outward expression in the way of positive deeds that will speak of the things that are stored up and cherished in the heart of the man. Men and women with Christian hearts can solve the problem. Otherwise they cannot.

Missionaries at Home.

THE Chesley Enterprise boasts an associate editor, and it's well to have one around to hang the mistakes on. The editor of the Enterprise was sure a real six-foot error had stalked into the columns last week, when reference was made to an "unpeaceful session" of the township council. So a search party went through the premises and found that "unpeaceful" it was. It is quite evident that WILLIAM McDONALD, editor, took charge of the situation after that, for he proceeds to read a sermon to the township fathers and to the people in the community where the trouble took place.

"Usually the members of township councils in session are as peaceful as a litter of pups in a basket," says the Enterprise, "and our readers will not be surprised that we came to the conclusion a mistake had been made. But when the operator produced the copy, there it was as plain as a pikestaff. It seems that over near the church at Arran Lake, 12th concession, Arran, the people are badly at loggerheads. One Arkwright man informed us that they wouldn't help one another out at threshings, and that it is necessary to get hands sufficient for threshing operations. This is not a nice thing to say about a community which is sending missionary money to tame the savage hearts in Asia when there are so many at home. In regard to those in a community living at peace with each other, St. Paul, in his epistle to the Roman Christians, says: 'If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.' This exception, 'if it be possible,' lets out these 12th of Arran neighbors who are not finding it possible to live at peace with all men."

The article goes on to deal in a very pointed way with several members of the community as well as councillors for their actions in recent months, concluding: "We never heard of proceedings at a municipal council where the reeve had occasion to exercise his authority in a matter of order, and we expect it will be a long time again before an 'unpleasant session' is recorded. The bad feeling among the Arran Lake ratepayers is at the bottom of the whole trouble."

Much better that a courageous editor should wade into such a situation and have it over with than allow the fires of trouble to burn slowly and smolder badly.

LITTLE TISERS

One way to keep a man's memory in good shape is to owe him \$5.

That new Turk leader should spell his name GASHA instead of FASHA.

When a young lady can wear the same hair net for a week it's a sign her dude isn't up to much.

It's several weeks since any person walked out of jail in Western Ontario ahead of their outgoing schedule.

When we look over the fall fair results we often wonder why they don't give the addresses of winners in the cake and pie events.

A man on the train going to play the races laughs at the dog that chases the train as though he were going to bite off a wheel.

The American Bar Association wants to abolish pistols. But that's like taking the bread and butter from the criminal lawyers.

A man in England, 103 years old,

says he has for years eaten a raw onion before going to bed. Thus it is that at 103 he is still going strong.

One reason why actors and actresses prefer the movies to the stage is that in the movies there's not the same risk of getting hit with a tomato.

A road sign reads: "Drive slow; you might meet a fool." A better sign in some instances would be: "Drive slow; two fools might meet."—Florida Times-Union.

Two Chatham men are charged with being drunk. They were found in a spot known locally as Dynamite Alley, which, by the way, ought to be a good place for a blowout.

An ad. in an exchange says: "The Linwood cider mill is now running every day in the week but Saturday." Thus on Saturday and Sunday the worms have a chance to live a little longer.

A number of young men attending Western University were painted, pelted with ripe tomatoes and eggs and mugged up generally. It's a great thing to get an education that sticks with you.

Why does some person always bring up this discussion on "Who's the greatest man in the country?" Any man with a bit of sense can call off the names of half a dozen other men who have succeeded.

Every newspaper in the country has had an editorial article on the price of coal. It's a nice topic to write about, because most of the readers don't know whether you're right or wrong, and most of the editors are in the same position.

A woman stopped in front of a Pratt, Kan., home she intended visiting, says the Republican. Noting a small boy in the yard mowing the grass, she interrogated him. "Is your mother at home?" she asked. The boy replied: "Well, I should say so. Do you think I'd be mowing this lawn if she wasn't?"

An exchange points out that the tax rate in Kingsville is 45 mills on the dollar this year. In addition to this property owners pay the full amount of sidewalks and pavements. About the time the tax notices are sent out some live quack ought to hit the town with a trunk full of nerve tonic and heart remedy.

Street car motemen and bus drivers do not particularly see eye to eye in London, and the joy of life for the bus driver to run just far enough in advance of the rail charlots to pick up the fares. All right and fine provided that the competition does not bring a crash in which someone gets hurt.

The smaller cities of the province are fond of taking a fall out of Toronto whenever occasion arises for so doing, but these same cities are right now willing to pay tribute to the way Toronto responded when the call came to help the burned areas of Northern Ontario. Supplies poured in to the places where they were being received until word had to be passed that no more could be accepted. The heart of Toronto is sound.

What strange habits civilization has wished on this continent. Now they find out in Los Angeles that eight boys at a home are entitled to a state grant of \$515. But there comes a nurse and inspector to see that the money is spent, and in all 16 commissions have something to say in the matter. The outcome of the whole affair is that it takes several times \$515 to see that the amount is spent. We are so used to red tape that too often it comes to a situation where the winding and unwinding of the old tape ball is the only thing in sight.

Engineers and men of a scientific turn of mind are being given a demonstration near Maryland of a new shell, fired from a 16-inch gun,

Brain Testers

Make one word of the letters:
EDORNOW

Yesterday's answer: You can make sense of it by reading it phonetically—"link sinks in."

that will go through 16 inches of hardened steel and then explode. The gun has a range of 25 miles. In the meantime, while all this experimenting and perfecting of death-dealing machinery is going on in United States that country stands aloof from all conferences that are being held with a view to ending wars and to bringing back the devastated nations of Europe to something approaching a basis where they can go ahead and make living possible.

The Chatham News, describing a session of the city council in which there was considerable pointed discussion, states:

"Underlying this was, doubtless, the historic antagonism betwixt the city council and the board of education—an antagonism which the board earlier in the year did much to stimulate by its attitude on the interest question, its delay in putting in its estimates and its apparent tendency to refuse co-operation with the city council."

For some reason or other there are places—too many of them—where the board of education and city council can not, or will not, get along together. The council too often gets the idea that the one reason why the board of education exists is to spend the money while the council gets the abuse for collecting it.

BRITISH POLITICS MIXED.

CHAOS marks the British political situation. All gossip centers about Lloyd George and these chief questions:

When will a general election occur?
Who will be the next premier?
Barring unforeseen circumstances—Lloyd George!—there will probably be no general election until the summer of 1923.

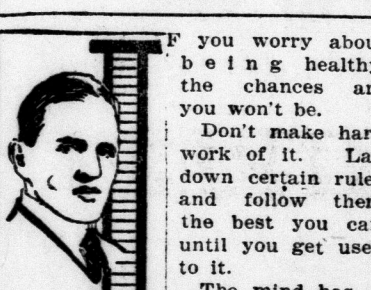
When it comes it is likely that a coalition will be the rule. Neither the Conservative nor the Liberal party will have a clear majority, and it is not thought now—contrary to recent beliefs—that the Labor party will be swept into power, though it is sure to have from 200 to 250 members in parliament.

Premier possibilities are confined to these men:
Conservatives: Lord Derby, Earl Balfour, Bonar Law, Austen Chamberlain, Lord Birkenhead.
Coalition Liberals: Lloyd George, Winston Churchill.

"Wee" Frey, Liberals: Viscount Grey, H. H. Asquith.
Labor: Arthur Henderson.
A Labor government would be regarded as little short of a revolution, but most Englishmen would feel safe with the reins in the hands of Henderson, who is not in any sense a radical. In the event of Labor winning, Henderson would be the certain choice for premier.

The so-called "Wee Frey" Liberals are improbable, for their section of the party is badly split between the followers of Grey and Asquith.

HOW TO BE HEALTHY



If you have a fit of anger, or a spell of worry, or hate, or envy, you will be more fatigued than as if you had done a good day's work.
If you do physical work all day long, read at night or play cards, to

JEST

CONSTERNATION.

"And where have you been, my pet?" asked Willie's mother when he returned after an unusually long absence.
"Playing postman," replied the family hope.
"And how do you play postman, sweetest?" she asked.
"Why, I left a letter at every house in the road," explained the prodigy; "real letters, too!"
"But, wherever did my darling get the real letters from?" queried mamma smiling.
"Out of your wardrobe drawer," responded Willie triumphantly. "Those old ones, tied up with pink ribbons!"

A DEFINITION.
Tommy—Pop, what is a moralist?
Tommy's Pop—A moralist, my son, is a person who is always digging up things to get shocked about.

THE EASIEST WAY.
"I understand you always allow your wife to have the last word."
"I do," replied Mr. Meekton; "also the first, second, third, etcetera."

LACK OF KNOWLEDGE.
Magistrate, to policeman who has made an arrest for intoxication: The man says he was not acting improperly. What about it, officer?
Officer—He was really intoxicated, your worship. It'd have been perfectly sober he'd have known me was drunk and not made a disturbance.

LITERALLY SO.
Magistrate—How comes it that you dared to break into this gentleman's house in the dead of night?
Prisoner—Why, your worship, the other time you reproached me for stealing in broad daylight. Ain't I to be allowed to work at all?

Our Own Country.

PARLIAMENT HILL SUNDIAL.
Q.—What is the history of the Parliament Hill sundial at Ottawa?
A.—The present sundial on Parliament Hill at Ottawa was unveiled on May 19, 1921, by the Duke of Devonshire, replacing one erected on the same spot by Colonel By (who founded Ottawa as Bytown), in 1827, when he was building the Rideau Canal.

BLIND IN CANADA.
Q.—How many blind are there in Canada?
A.—4,296 are enrolled in the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

THE BATTLE OF SEVEN OAKS.
Q.—What and where was the battle of Seven Oaks fought?
A.—The battle of Seven Oaks was fought on or near the site of the present city of Winnipeg in 1816 between the two fur-trading companies, Hudson's Bay and the North-West Fur Company, when several settlers were killed. A monument on the site commemorates the event.

CANADA'S URBAN AND RURAL POPULATION.
Q.—What is Canada's urban and rural population respectively?
A.—According to the census of 1921, Canada's urban population totaled 4,848,948, and rural 4,451,062, or rural increased 13.12 per cent in 10 years and urban 32.57.

GENERAL MONCKTON.

Q.—What Canadian city is named for General Monckton?
A.—Moncton, N. B., is named for General Monckton, commander of the British forces at that point in 1755, when Fort Beauséjour (now Fort Lawrence) was captured from the French. The city has dropped the "k" from the word.

Among the Conservatives, Balfour probably would be the most likely, but his acceptance of a peerage is considered a sure sign that he never again expects to lead a government. Chamberlain, the present Tory leader, has too much opposition within his party. Bonar Law would have little chance because of his Ulster sympathies. Birkenhead is flippantly said to have "a brilliant future behind him." And Lord Derby, though a successful war minister and ambassador to France, is too much of a great landlord and would suffer from the British prejudice against a prime minister being in the House of Lords.

So the "best bets" are narrowed down to Lloyd George and Winston Churchill. Wisecracks see in Lloyd George's decision to write a \$500,000 book of memoirs a sign that he plans to retire. But there is never any betting on what the Welshman will do. He is the most incalculable force in British politics. It is not improbable that he might form an entirely new party based on the undoubted swing among the people toward Liberalism.

If Lloyd George does retire, keep your eye on Church. He is only 43 and abliest of the younger men in parliament, has been a war correspondent, a soldier and an author, and has served a long cabinet post except two. He is personally popular, and has the qualities of conciliator so much needed in forming a coalition government.

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H.G. WELLS FAMOUS OUTLINE OF HISTORY The Romance of Mother Earth

When the Mediterranean Was a Valley.

TODAY'S INSTALLMENT—24.

shelf. This valley of gorge is probably the work of the inflowing waters of the ocean at the termination of the period of interior drainage.

This reëdging of the Mediterranean, which by the rough chronology we are employing in this book may have happened some time between 20,000 and 30,000 B. C., must have been one of the greatest single events in the pre-history of our race.

If the later date is the truer, then, as the reader will see plainly enough after reading the next two chapters, the crude beginnings of civilization, the first lake dwellings and the first cultivation were probably around that eastern Levantine Lake into which there flowed not only the Nile, but the two great rivers that are now the Adriatic and the Red Sea.

Was This the Flood?

Suddenly the ocean waters began to break through over the western hills and to pour in upon these primitive

peoples—the lake that had been their home and friend became their enemy; its waters rose and never abated; the settlements were submerged; the waters pursued them in their flight. Day by day and year by year the waters spread up the valleys and drove man kind before them. Many must have been surrounded and caught by the continually rising salt flood. It knew no checks; it came faster and faster; it rose over the tree-tops, over the hills, until it filled the whole basin of the present Mediterranean, and until it lapped the mountain cliffs of Arabia and Africa. Far away, long before the dawn of history, this catastrophe occurred.

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Monday—"When Man Began to Wrinkle His Forehead."

25 YEARS AGO TODAY

HERE WE HAVE ITEMS OF LOCAL AND DISTRICT INTEREST AS RECORDED IN THE ADVERTISER OF 1897.

OCTOBER 7, 1897.

Weather—Showery in many places.

A meeting of the creditors of Ed. Horsman, lessee of the Grigg House, was held in the office of Assignee Robinson this morning and was adjourned for a week. Messrs. M. D. Fraser, Geo. C. Gibbons, Q. C., and J. W. Scandrett were appointed inspectors. Mr. Horsman's liabilities were found to be about \$11,000, and assets about \$12,000. In this estimate, some thousands of dollars spent by Mr. Horsman on additions were not considered, so that in reality the assets amount to considerably over \$12,000.

Mr. R. Christie, provincial inspector of asylums and public charities, paid a visit to the asylum this morning.

Bailiff English of the Central Prison, Toronto, made a special trip to London this morning for George Cox and John King, the two men who were sentenced to six months for picking Mrs. Crockett's pocket while she was on the market.

The residence of Mrs. William Horner, 367 King street, was sold yesterday by Auctioneer Neil Cooper to Mr. G. G. Steele for the sum of \$3,390. It is a two-story brick building, and the lot has a frontage of 40 feet.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Smallman, son and daughter, of Waverly Place, South

London, arrived home yesterday from their trip to Great Britain.

Superintendent Williams of the C. P. R. is making a tour of the western division.

Frank Snyder, the baseball player, has secured a position as bartender in a local hotel, and will spend the winter there.

OPEN SEASONS FOR HUNTING.

In Ontario the season for big game hunting is now on, and up to November 15, Moose, Deer or Caribou can be taken north of the main line of the Canadian National Railway (formerly the Grand Trunk Pacific) from Quebec to the Manitoba boundary, in that part of Ontario south of the French and Mattawa Rivers from November 5 to November 20, and that part of Ontario lying north and west of the French and Mattawa Rivers, October 25 to November 30. There is an open season for partridge November 5 to November 20. Woodcock may be killed from September 15 to October 15. Wild Geese from September 1 to December 15. Wild Duck from September 1 to December 15. Some of the best hunting districts in Ontario are reached by the Canadian National-Grand Trunk Railway, and for further information application should be made to agents of these lines, or write C. E. Horning, district passenger agent, Grand Trunk, New Union Station, Toronto. 07.11



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